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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER FLIGHTS

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1. IN JULY 25 CONVERSATION WITH SKANDS OF PUBLIC WORKS MINISTRY (WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM LENGTHY VACATION), ECONOFF WAS TOLD THAT "PUNISHMENT" FOR WORLD AIRWAYS SINS LEVIED BY DANISH AUTHORITIES (I.E., BANNING OF ALL WORLD TRAFFIC TO AND FROM DENMARK FOR CY 1975 - REF A) NEED NOT NECESSARILY BE TAKEN AT FACE VALUE. SKANDS WAS OBVIOUSLY ANNOYED WITH THIS ACTION TAKEN IN HIS ABSENCE. HE TAKES SAME LINE AS WINBERG (REF B) THAT AFFINITY CHARTER RULES ARE OUTDATED AND OVERDUE FOR CHANGE. SKANDS NOTED THAT SCANDINAVIAN AVIATION AUTHORITIES WILL HOLD MEETING BEGINNING AUGUST 16 AT WHICH CHARTER RULES WILL BE REEXAMINED WITH VIEW TOWARD MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO GOVERNMENTS BY EARLY AUTUMN OF THIS YEAR. HE FELT QUITE CERTAIN

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THAT COMMITTEE WOULD RECOMMEND LIBERALIZATION

TOWARD ABC/ITC SYSTEMS ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT DISCOUNT STRONG SAS LOBBYING EFFORTS TO PREVENT ANY LIBERALIZATION.

2. GIVEN ANTICIPATED ACTION ON CHARTER RULES THIS FALL, SKANDS RECOMMENDED THAT WORLD AIRWAYS SIT TIGHT UNTIL SITUATION CLARIFIED. SHOULD RULES CHANGE, HE FELT NEW SITUATION WOULD PREVAIL WHICH WOULD ABROGATE PRESENT DANISH DECISION BANNING WORLD AIRWAYS FLIGHTS NEXT YEAR. WE WILL ADVISE LOCAL WORLD AIRWAYS REP (KNUDSEN) OF FOREGOING WHEN HE RETURNS TO COPENHAGEN NEXT WEEK WITH REQUEST HE PASS INFO ON TO EUROPEAN VP THOMAS HUGHES.

3. EMBASSY COMMENT. IT IS APPARENT THAT 1975 BAN WAS INSTIGATED BY CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF NON-SCHEDS (STENVER) WHO HAS PERSONALLY BEEN EXCEEDINGLY UPSET BY WORLD'S INFRINGEMENTS OF DANISH CHARTER REGULATIONS. HE MAY POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY SAS TO MAINTAIN THIS HARD LINE. SKANDS, WHO IS AT A HIGHER POLICY LEVEL, DOES NOT RPT NOT SHARE THESE VIEWS.
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